

## **§ 3263.12**

- (4) Perforating or removing casing; and
- (5) Restoring the surface; and
- (c) Any other information that we may require.

### **§ 3263.12 How will BLM review my sundry notice to abandon my well and notify me of their decision?**

(a) When we receive your sundry notice, we will make sure it is complete and review it for compliance with the requirements of 43 CFR 3200.4. We will notify you if we need more information or require additional procedures. If we need any further information to complete our review, we will contact you in writing and suspend our review until we receive the information. If we approve your sundry notice, we will send you an approved copy once our review is complete. Do not start abandonment of the well until we approve your sundry notice.

(b) We may verbally approve plugging procedures for a well which requires immediate action. If we do, you must submit the information required in 43 CFR 3263.11 within 48 hours after we give verbal approval.

### **§ 3263.13 What must I do to restore the site?**

You must remove all equipment and materials and restore the site to BLM's satisfaction.

### **§ 3263.14 May BLM require me to abandon a well?**

Yes, if we determine your well is no longer needed for geothermal resource production, injection, or monitoring, or if we determine that the well is not mechanically sound. In either case, if you disagree you may explain to us why the well should not be abandoned. We will consider your reasons before we issue any final order.

### **§ 3263.15 May I abandon a producible well?**

Only if you receive BLM's approval. To abandon a producing well, send us the information listed in 43 CFR 3263.11. We may also require you to explain why you want to abandon the well. We may deny your request if we determine the well is needed to protect a Federal lease from drainage, or to

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protect the environment or other resources of the United States.

## **Subpart 3264—Reports—Drilling Operations**

### **§ 3264.10 What must I give BLM after I complete a well?**

You must submit a geothermal well completion report, form 3260–4, within 30 days after you complete a well. Your report must include the following:

- (a) A complete, chronological well history;
- (b) A copy of all logs;
- (c) Copies of all directional surveys; and
- (d) Copies of all mechanical, flow, reservoir, and other test data.

### **§ 3264.11 What must I give BLM after I finish subsequent well operations?**

(a) Send us a subsequent well operations report within 30 days after completing operations. At a minimum, this report must include:

- (1) A complete, chronological history of the work done;
- (2) A copy of all logs;
- (3) Copies of all directional surveys;
- (4) All samples, tests or surveys we require you to make (see § 3262.14);
- (4) Copies of all mechanical, flow, reservoir, and other test data; and
- (5) A statement of whether you achieved your goals. For example, if the well was acidized to increase production, state whether the production rate increased when you put the well back on line.

(b) We may waive this reporting requirement for work we determine is routine such as cleanouts, surveys, or general maintenance. To request a waiver, contact BLM. If you do not have a waiver, you must submit the report.

### **§ 3264.12 What must I give BLM after I abandon a well?**

Send us a well abandonment report within 30 days after you abandon a well. If you plan to restore the site at a later date, you may submit a separate report within 30 days after completing site restoration. The well abandonment report must contain:

- (a) A complete chronology of all work done;